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Dear Sirs,

I am a patent attorney with 25 years experience.

Together with my partner Edward Arons, Esq, we have built a full-service IP firm from humble beginnings to an entity of close to 20 lawyers and agents.

My words below reflect my personal beliefs, and do not reflect the opinions of Weiss & Arons, LLP.

I support the idea of a Small Claims Patent Court.

I believe the post-grant proceedings, as currently administered, have reduced the value and importance of patents. The reduction of value and importance of patents has hurt innovation.

I think, if properly administered and formatted in a bi-partisan way – see, e.g., the ITC, which remains the patent forum of choice for patentees - a Small Claims Patent Court can increase the value and importance of patents in the US. This will increase innovation.

We must proceed with caution, however, because we don't want a return to the NPE-laden world of the late 1990's and 2000's which stifled many big US companies.

I wish the best to all in this endeavor which can re-ignite US innovation in a way that can benefit us all.

With warm regards to all those involved in this important endeavor, I remain,

Joel Weiss, Esq.

#### EXEMPLARY FRAMEWORK for Small Claims Patent Court

Jurisdictional Amount – 50k-300k.

Venue -- On-line Filing of Papers – No in-person appearances (not sure of due process concerns, but tailor this proposal to meet due process)

Non-Appealable --

Discovery -- ½ of Federal Rules of Discovery allotments (12

Interrogatories, etc.), discovery disputes to be ruled on the papers within limited amount of time-

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